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**Dutch Iris** (see page 10) Yellow—Yellow Queen. White—David Haring. Blue—Imperator.

# 1941 FALL BULB CATALOG

Ontario, California



Mrs. Barclay (see page 3)

Fragrant Jonquils (see page 5)





King Alfred

# **Daffodils**

Narcissi—Daffodils. The sunshiny-petaled fragrant Daffodils during February and March are the showiest flowers in the garden and the finest for cutting. You will have no trouble growing them in any sunny spot. Planted 6 inches apart, other later blooming plants may be grown in between without disturbing them, and even though they multiply it is always at least three years before they need to be dug up and replanted. We offer a variety of bloom shapes and colors in kinds which thrive here, all of them with blooms which last well either on the plant or cut. The bulbs we supply are large and firm and can be relied upon to produce two or more blooms per bulb. These are all Double-Nose No. 1, much superior to the Single-Nose bulbs.

#### **Giant Trumpet Daffodils**

Golden Spur. The very first large flowered Daffodil to bloom in the spring. A solid colored bright yellow bloom poised gracefully on long stems. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$8.90.

Aerolite. A newer giant golden Daffodil now becoming very popular. The giant flower is beautifully proportioned and graceful; has a deep yellow trumpet thrust out in bold relief against the broad pointed primrose yellow star formed by the enormous outer petals. Blooming early and remaining late, it is one of the longest lasting of all Daffodils either in the garden or as a cut flower. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$14.45.

**Emperor.** Immense long-stemmed flowers of golden yellow, the trumpet slightly deeper than the perianth (outer petals). It blooms late when most of the other varieties are gone and is very dependable. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$9.10.

#### The King and The Giant

King Alfred. The finest of all the large flowered giant trumpet Daffodils. Its great bold, beautifully frilled trumpets stand out crisply and luxuriantly on long stiff stems and its lovely uniformly rich golden yellow color is unsurpassingly brilliant. An early bloomer—it is truly a king among the Daffodils. See illustration above. Double-Nose No. 1 bulbs. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.60; 100 for \$11.45.

We also have an extremely large Jumbo size bulb. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$14.45.

Ben Hur. This new Giant variety with its immense deeply frilled blooms of pure Roman gold is our largest Daffodil. Beautifully proportioned despite its giant size, it has a flaring "loud speaker" trumpet which is unique. Our best new giant yellow trumpet. 1 for 35c; 3 for 95c; 12 for \$3 20.

# **Armstrong Quality Bulbs**

When you buy Armstrong Bulbs you get only full size, carefully cured, quality bulbs which will produce superior blooms for you, satisfying in size and color. You will note that this year our prices have been kept down in spite of world conditions, and we assure you that our bulbs are of the same superior quality handled in past seasons.

About Varieties—Your garden and our catalog are both too small to hold the innumerable varieties of bulbs available. We offer you out of each main group the outstanding standard tested varieties that thrive best in California, and also a few of the outstanding new bulb introductions. We have listed those varieties we would plant in our own garden. Where there are several varieties which are almost identical except for certain minor differences, we list only that variety which has been tested the most thoroughly and is the best value.

#### How to Get More Bulbs for Your Money

Six bulbs of one variety are sold to you at the 12-rate; 50 bulbs at the 100-rate and 500 bulbs at the 1000-rate. For example: 6 King Alfred Daffodils would be priced at 80c or one-half of the price quoted for 12, but 3 King Alfred, 4 Golden Spur and 4 Spring Glory would be sold at the 3-rate as quoted for those kinds. No bulbs are sold in any quantity less than the smallest quantity quoted for each variety.

We pay transportation on all bulbs to points in California, Arizona and Nevada. Customers in other states should include 15% of the amount of their orders to cover shipping costs. Any excess will be refunded. No order for less than \$1.00 can be accepted for shipment.

Shipping Time. Most of the items listed in this catalog are ready for shipment in September or October, but a few are not ready until later. In each case we will forward each kind on your order at the proper time to plant.

**Directions for Planting.** Complete planting instructions will accompany each order.

You will find extra value Bulb Collections listed on pages 3, 4, 10, 12 and 15.



Red Cross

#### Shallow Cup Daffodils

These daintily formed varieties have a flat cup in the center, which is often vividly tinted and frilled, instead of a trumpet. The varieties listed below all make exquisite cut flowers

Bath's Flame. The deep yellow cup has a broad edge of orange-red, and the long petals spring from around it like six individual wavy golden flames. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.55; 100 for \$11.35.

Mrs. Barclay. The illustration on the front cover (about one-third natural size) gives you the colors found in the large flowers with their broad overlapping petals. A side view would better show the deeply frilled orange-scarlet rimmed cup. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.; 100 for \$14.45.

Red Cross. Famous for its large, strong, long-lasting flowers of vivid, intense chrome - yellow and deep erange. One of our best new Daffodils. (See illustration, page 2). 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.60; 100 for 18.90.

Diana Kasner. One of the most beautiful Daffodils in our list and highly satisfactory in any garden. A pure white perianth, with a large, fluted, short yellow cup with bloodred frill. Very free flowering; sturdy stems. One of the best of the newer Daffodils. (See illustration at right). 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 100 for \$9.20.

Helios. A splendid vigorous plant, with broad foliage and heavy stems. The flower has a deep golden yellow perianth, the petals overlapping. The shallow cup opens a little darker than the petals, and in cool weather deepens to a light orange. The flower has that attractive "looking at you" habit. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.45; 100 for \$10.55.



Diana Kasner

Helios

# **Daffodil Collection**

Have you become acquainted with the less common Daffodil types herein described? You will enjoy learning to know the different kinds. Here is your chance to try in a limited way, with a small investment, a variety or two of all the main groups. This collection consists of 25 large No. 1 bulbs taken from our regular stock and each separately labeled. Daffodil varieties look well together so we suggest that you plant the collection in one bed to create your garden's most interesting spot from the time the earliest varieties bloom until the late ones are through and you have finished "meeting the family" of Daffodil

We were pleasantly surprised last year by the number of our customers who liked the idea. This year we are including several new types in the Collection which will make it even more interesting.

#### This Collection Includes:

10 Giant Trumpet Daffodils

5 Giant Yellow 1 White Trumpet

3 Bicolor 1 Double

5 Shallow Cup Daffodils

(3 different varieties)

Poetaz

2 Fragrant Jonquils

3 Short Cup Daffodils

1 Poet's Narcissus (Horace)

1 Cyclamineus Hybrid

1 White Cyclamen Daffodil (Thalia)

Order above Collection as Collection No. 1

Price \$2.95, post paid.

Every bulb will be individually labeled.

Mrs. E. H. Krelage

#### Two "Different" Daffodils

Tunis. The experts even agree that this giant flowered, tall, robust grower is tops. The large, wide flaring ivory trumpets have turned back, neatly cut borders of coppery gold. They look out at you against a beautifully contrasting background of pure white petals. 1 for 50c; 3 for \$1.30; 12 for \$4.45.

February Gold will surprise you. The blooms are golden all right, but the long trumpets are interestingly fringed with orange. Starts to bloom very early-but is still going strong in February, and you get, on each stem, two or three large blooms with gracefully curved-back petals. 3 for 75c: 12 for \$2.60.

#### A Fine White Daffodil

Mrs. E. H. Krelage. Probably the most famous of white Daffodils with its large overlapping perinath of soft creamy white and its long trumpet of pale primrose, so light that it is placed in the white trumpet class. The flowers are long-stemmed, and the variety is very vigorous. It takes a white variety like this one to show off your yellow and vari-colored varieties to best advantage. (See illustration at right). 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.30; 100 for \$16.70.

#### **Get a Start**

Maybe you'd like to try the strikingly new Daffodil kinds

Your garden budget won't have to stretch much to enable you to have our newest Daffodil kinds if you take advantage of this offer. 10 bulbs: 2 Ben Hur, 2 February Gold, 2 Mrs. Barclay, 2 Tunis, 2 Thalia, for \$2.50, postpaid. Order Collection No. 5.





Spring Glory

#### **Best Bicolor**

Bicolor Daffodils are distinctive in that the outside bloom petals are a solid light yellow color and the center cups are a solid darker yellow color.

Spring Glory. A very early, showy bicolor Daffodil with a large white perianth (a term designating the outer petals of a daffodil bloom) which is broad and spreading and a large handsome trumpet of chrome-yellow with beautifully frilled edges. For planting in the southwest this is the finest of the bicolors. A healthy grower, this is a good one to naturalize. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$9.10.

#### White Cyclamen Daffodil

Thalia is perhaps our most graceful Daffodil. The exquisitely formed, snow-white flowers have gracefully curved back petals. There are 2 or 3 blooms on each stem and each bloom is 2 inches across. Particularly fine for flower arrangements. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for



Thalia

Daffodils are as permanent in the garden as a rose bush or a shrub and make excellent cut flowers.

# **Short-Cup Daffodil Collection**

There are many hundreds of varieties of the Short-Cup Daffodils, including Incomparabilis, Barrii, Leedsii, Poeticus and Poetaz types. For those who wanted a collection of the finest varieties but were not particular about having them as named kinds, we provided a mixture including only good varieties which we could offer at a very low price unlabeled. Our customers found the blooms produced from this mixture of bulbs to be attractive and interesting, but this year we are able to give even an extra value at the same low price. We are hand-making the mixture from the varieties listed in the adjoining column. If you order 3 bulbs, you will get our choice of 3 of these varieties. If you order 12 bulbs, you will get 2 each of all 6 varieties and the 5 classifications listed above will all be represented. They will be labeled Short-Cup Daffodils Mixed and we reserve the right to substitute equally good varieties. Please order as Short-Cup Daffodils Mixed and do not specify individual varieties unless you use price schedule at right. 3 for 25c; 12 for 85c; 100 for \$5.95.

Yellow Poppy (Incomparabilis). Well formed flowers with overlapping primrose-yellow perianth and expanded bright yellow cup edged orange.

Seagull (Barrii). The large white petals curve back, making the light yellow cups with their red picotee edges look like they are floating in the air. A heavy yet late bloomer.

**Hera** (Leedsii). Delicately beautiful, star-shaped white perianth with deeply frilled cups of creamy white edged light primrose.

Mrs. Nette O'Melveny (Leedsii). A dancing Daffodil on a tall graceful stem. Pure white petals and a lemonyellow cup edged with orange.

**Ornatus** (Poeticus). Broad showy petals with a typical small, brilliantly colored pheasant's-eye cup.

Elvira (Poetaz). Clusters of mediumsized flowers with creamy white perianths and yellow cups edged orange.

See column at left for unlabeled collection price. All above varieties sold individually labeled, 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.05.



Spring Snowflakes (Leucojum vernum)

#### Horace

#### The Poet's Narcissus

Horace. The exquisite long stemmed flowers have a broad, gleaming white, star-shaped perianth with a flat eye of yellow, edged brilliant red. Very graceful and free flowering. Here is a novelty everyone likes with an unrivaled perfection of bloom as evidenced by its name, the Poet's Narcissus. (See illustration at left). 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 100 for \$7.80.

# Spring Snowflakes

A dainty and easily grown spring flower which thrives anywhere in the garden. The vigorous foliage is like a daffodil and the exquisite little nodding flowers on 12-inch stems are pure white with a dot of green on each petal. They form large clumps when left for several years and make an exquisitely beautiful bit of spring color. 12 for 80c; 25 for \$1.45; 100 for \$5.00.

# Grow Bulbs in Bowls

It is easy to grow live fragrant bouquets indoors with nothing but water and bulb fiber or pebbles and the large forcing size bulbs of Bunch-Flowered Narcissi. They will look more natural than cut arrangements and be longer lasting. When you are through with them indoors, plant them outside and they will bloom again the second year. Easy to follow

simple instructions enclosed with each collection, consisting of enough bulbs to make up two bowls. Included are:

- 2 Paper White
- 2 Soleil d'Or
- 2 China Lily

Order as Collection No. 2, complete for 50c.



Laurens Koster



Medusa



Soleil d'Or

#### Poetaz Narcissi

These are hybrids between the Poet's Narcissus and the Bunch Flowered Narcissus. Not yet well known but those who have grown them prize them highly for their large clusters of deliciously fragrant well formed flowers and for their vigorous growing habit. Do not confuse this group with the more common Chinese Sacred Lily as the Poetaz have larger blooms.

**Laurens Koster.** These delightfully fragrant flowers top long, tall stems and are borne in clusters of five to seven blooms. Illustrated above. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.15; 100 for \$8.20.

Medusa. A conspicuous orange cup in the center of creamy-white flowers, borne six or eight to a stem. One of the finest of the cluster flowered hybrids. Illustrated above. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$10.00.

#### **Bulb Food**

Bulbous plants require fertilization both to insure satisfactory growth and blooms and to help provide the bulb with stored food for the following season. Bandini Bulb Food is a safe specially balanced bulb diet containing the elements which they like best in the proper proportion. (Not postpaid).

5 lb. bag 40c. 10 lb. bag 70c. 25 lb. bag \$1.25. (Fertilizer not postpaid).

#### **Bunch-Flowered Narcissi**

No other Narcissi group blooms as freely and naturalizes as readily. The big clusters of blooms are sweetly fragrant.

Soleil d'Or. This is the newer golden kind. The gleaming yellow flowers with their deep brilliant orange cups are very showy and appear very early in the garden before the other Narcissi. The bulbs increase rapidly in the garden. Illustrated above. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.05; 100 for \$7.55.

Chinese Sacred Lily. This is the Chinese "Flower of the Gods". Each bulb produces several spikes of exceedingly fragrant white flowers with a yellow cup. Grows easily in the garden and blooms very early. Large size bulbs, 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.15; 100 for \$8.20.

Paper-White Narcissus. The popular cluster-flowered, pure white Narcissus so often grown both indoors and out. Blooms very early in the winter in California. One bulb will frequently have as many as thirty intensely fragrant individual blooms. (See illustration at right.) 3 for 20c; 12 for 60c; 100 for \$4.45.



Paper-White

Twink

# The Fragrant Jonquils

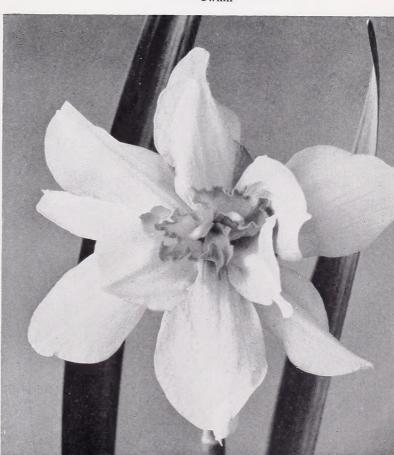
Below we list two dainty Jonquil Narcissi varieties with typical miniature Daffodil blooms, perfectly formed and extremely fragrant. Some confuse these varieties with the Poetaz Narcissi and the Bunch Flowered Narcissi. However, Jonquils are entirely different and distinctive, blooming much earlier than most Narcissi. Try several clumps around the base of a small deciduous tree, such as a birch. They'll bloom before the tree leafs out in the early spring, and you'll enjoy them immensely. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.20; 100 for \$8.65.

Campernelle. A single flowered golden Narcissus really entitled to the name Jonquil. Because of its extreme earliness, ability to grow anywhere, and exquisite scent, there should be a clump of them in every garden. The foliage is grass-like, and the dainty miniature blooms are usually borne three on a stalk.

Golden Sceptre. A new Hybrid Jonquil which is only half the size of the Giant Trumpets but much more gracefully proportioned. The fine substance flowers are deep golden yellow with lighter trumpets. They make long lasting garden and cut flowers.

#### Best Double Daffodil

Twink. This graceful new semi-full type Daffodil is much superior to the clumsy older doubles. The outer petals are a soft primrose-yellow while the inner petals are alternately primrose-yellow and clear rich orange. Early and free flowering. A "must have" kind, as there is no other variety that will take its place satisfactorily. (Picture at right.) 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.55.





Ornithogalum arabicum

#### South African Gold Star

Ornithogalum aureum. The white flowered forms of the South African Ornithogalum have long been admired, but one of the finest members of the tribe is this spectacular variety with apricotorange flowers. The flower stems which appear in late spring are usually over a foot tall. As a cut flower it is an amazing success; the flowers keep for more than a month and each bulb produces several flower stalks. Easily grown in any sunny spot in a California garden, or may be grown as a pot plant. Illustrated below. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.80.

#### Ornithogalum aureum



# **Ornithogalums**

#### Star of Bethlehem

Ornithogalum arabicum. The old favorite "Star of Bethlehem" has been somewhat neglected in recent years but is now coming back because of the fact that so many planters have seen it at Easter time in older gardens where it was planted many years ago, still thriving vigorously and sending up its large umbels of pure white flowers with jet-black centers. Like all Ornithogalums, it is an exceptionally fine cut flower, keeping for weeks and even months after cutting. 3 for 20c; 12 for 60c; 100 for \$4.35.

Ornithogalum thyrsioides Double. The latest novelty in Ornithogalums is this double flowered form of the South African Chincherinchee. The strong bulbs send up 24 to 36 inch stems crowned with a pyramidal-shaped, tight flower spike, which opens up large individual pure white flowers. The entire effect is somewhat similar to a very fine double tube-rose. A splendid cut flower. 3 for 25c; 12 for 90c; 100 for \$6.55.



Terrestrial Orchid (Bletilla)

#### Terrestrial Orchid

Bletilla hyacinthina. The interesting miniature orchidlike, amethyst colored flowers are borne freely above the large bright green plaited leaves. The bloom stems are 12 to 15 inches high and each stem holds aloft from 3 to 5 exquisite little blooms that when cut make fine small vase arrangements or ideal corsages. Unexacting in its requirements it does not need especially prepared moss to grow in like its larger flowered relatives. Bletillas thrive in a semishady spot in average soil. Once established and given plenty of water the clumps spread quickly and cold weather bothers them not at all. 1 for 50c; 3 for \$1.55; 12 for \$6.10.

# Armstrong Sweet Pea Seed

Now is the time to put in your winter Sweet Peas. We offer a splendid strain of Giant Waved Early Flowering Spencer seed. The colors have been carefully selected, and you will notice that our list includes such outstanding varieties as Shirley Temple, Daphne and Burpee's Orange. The named varieties listed below are packaged. ¼ ounce (enough for an 8-foot row) 25c; ½ ounce (enough for a 15-foot row) 40c; 1 ounce (enough for a 30-foot row) 60c.

Attraction. Vivid salmon-pink. Burpee's Orange. Fiery orange. Daphne. Salmon-pink. Mariner. Marine blue. Mars. Maroon-crimson. Memory. Clear lavender. Oriental. Deep cream. Shirley Temple. Rose-pink. Vulcan. Scarlet-red. White Harmony. White.

Mixed Early Flowering. A mixture containing most of the kinds listed above. ¼ ounce 15c; ½ ounce 25c; 1 ounce 40c.

All our Sweet Pea Seed is Cuprocide treated. Planting instructions accompany each package.

# Calla Lilies

In cool, shady spots they quickly establish permanent clumps. Baby Callas are splendid foreground plants and the Yellow Calla brings sunshine into a shady spot. All make good cut flowers.

Large White Calla (Calla aethiopica). The popular large flowered, pure white variety. The blooms appear on long stems and are surrounded with big handsome, glossy foliage. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$9.10.

Golden Yellow Calla (Calla Elliottiana). The showy flowers are a rich golden-yellow while the large bright green leaves are marked with silver. Illustrated below. Large blooming size bulbs. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.35; 100 for \$16.95.

#### A Baby Calla

Baby White Calla. Imagine the common tall kind done in exquisite miniature and you will know what this one looks like. The perfectly formed flowers are borne on 6-inch stalks. An excellent pot or conservatory plant as well as a good outdoor subject. 1 for 30c; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50.



In our climate the foliage of Day Lilies is almost evergreen. The clumps become large rapidly and produce hundreds of blooms each season. The stout 30-inch stems have many individual buds on them which open one at a time over a long summer season. The individual blooms are 4 inches across. Day Lilies require little attention year after year other than watering.

Hemerocallis flava. A lemon-yellow, very fragrant single sort.

Hemerocallis aurantiaca. Brilliant single orange-yellow.

Hemerocallis Kwanso. The gigantic tawny orange, very double blooms have maroon markings.

Strong divisions of above: 1 for 25c; 3 for 60c.

#### **Guernsey Lily**

Nerine sarniensis. Our scarlet strain of the famous Guernsey Lily produces in late summer, big heads of bloom on strong 18-inch stems. In each head there are from 10 to 20 bright crimson flowers, measuring  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches across. Fine for outdoor growing in Southern California. Elsewhere it makes an ideal pot plant. 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for



Tritomas Royal Standard (left), Mt. Etna (right)

# Red-Hot Poker

Tritomas. "Red-Hot Pokers" are spectacular either in the garden or in distinctive flower arrangements. The brilliantly colored bloom spikes, often 9 inches long, are borne on 3 to 4-foot stems which rise from grass-like foliage. They last weeks in the garden and very well as cut flowers. Strong divisions: 45c each; 3 for \$1.20.

> Glory of the Sun

Royal Standard (to the left in the above illustration) is an unusual combination of scarlet and gold. A free blooming, hard-to-get new kind.

Mt. Etna (to the right in the above illustration) produces blooms which are a solid glowing orange.

Towers of Gold. We have just a few of this rare pure yellow variety.



Yellow Calla

# Glory of the Sun

Leucocoryne ixioides odorata. This new bulbous flowering plant called "Glory of the Sun" was in-troduced but recently from the wilds of Chile and the bulbs are still scarce. The blooms are borne in clusters in the spring on a 15-inch stem, and the color is a de-lightful heavenly blue, with a white throat and striking golden stamens. The flowers are delicately sweet-scented, and have the ability to keep in water as a cut flower for ten days.

The bulbs should be planted in full sun or slight shade, preferably in early fall, and should then be kept moist throughout the fall and winter. During the summer the bulbs should be thoroughly dried out. The jumbo size bulbs offered below should produce at least three spikes to the bulb, while the two-year should produce two spikes to the bulb the first season. See illustration at right.

Jumbos, 1 for 15c: 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$10.20.

No. 1, 3 for 30c; 12 for 95c; 100 for \$6.75,





16 or 20 golden orange trumpetshaped blooms on each stout yet slender 12-inch stem. Each trumpet is beautifully marked with 6 dark purple veins. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$5.25,

California Brodiaea

California Hyacinth

Brodiaea capitata. A favorite

wildflower bulb of California. The dense heads of violet-blue top slen-

der 18-inch leafless stems. Several blooms come from each mature bulb during the season. Planted in

a sunny, well drained spot, this

bulb will thrive in your garden for many years without requiring

any attention. 12 for 75c; 25 for

Brodiaea ixioides splendens. Also

a California native and just as

hardy though very different from B. capitata. They look well plant-

ed in adjoining clumps. Imagine

\$1.30; 100 for \$4.55.



Grape Hyacinth

#### Grape Hyacinth

Muscari Heavenly Blue. The charming little flower spikes of the Grape Hyacinth burst into bloom early in the spring, and if planted in the foreground of a Narcissus bed or among them, offer a delightful contrast to the yellow and white of the Daffodil blooms. Planted in small clumps under the edges of shrubs or trees or scattered here and there irregularly among other bulbs or perennials, they will remain for many years, the colonies growing larger all the time. The beautiful blue flowers are saturated with a persistent exquisite fragrance universally appealing. Plant 3 to 4 inches apart in part shade. 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.05; 100 for \$3.55.





Ixias

#### lxias

We are always anxious to recommend bulbs which over a period of years are able to demonstrate how well they like our climate. The petite winter-flowering Ixia is certainly in this classification. Each winter we enjoy the brilliantly colorful beds in our neighborhood which are permanently planted to Ixias. Some unchanged for 10 years. It is one of the few flowers in which the metallic shades of green and bronze appear. They are low growing and ideal for mass planting or borders. Plant them in your sunniest place.

Mixed Colors. Blues, purples, yellows and intense scarlet, carmine and cerise are combined in contrasting shades. 12 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.55.

Solid Colors. We also have several named varieties in individual colors for these wishing a particular color scheme.

Afterglow. Rich orange.

Spectabilis. Bright red.

Village Maid. Canary yellow with outside petals red.

12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.55.



The Sparaxis are similar to the Ixias in growth but slightly taller and produce their gaily colored flowers in April on 18 to 24 inch stems, splashed and mottled in a great variety of contrasting and brilliant colors. Plant in full sun. 3 to 4 inches apart.

Sparaxis Hybrids. Nature went in for brilliant art shades and combinations when she produced this large flowered strain of Sparaxis which blooms earlier than the ordinary type and presents beautiful mixtures in orange, scarlet, salmon, yellow, cream, crimson, pink, and lavender. The majority of the flowers are marked with lilac and black, although some are clear colors with no markings. The flowers are exceptionally large, many of them 3 inches in diameter, and you will have a great time picking out the ones you like best for no two are alike. See illustration at left. Jumbo size bulbs: 12 for 65c; 25 for \$1.20; 100 for \$4.10.



Scilla campanulata

#### Spanish Blue Bell

Scilla campanulata. These delightful little spring flowering bulbs produce 12inch spikes of small bell-shaped, bright blue flowers, which make splendid spots of color in the garden. The bulbs may be left undisturbed for years, and are easily grown in any somewhat shaded spot. Plant the bulbs 4 to 6 inches apart. Try a clump in any bare, shady spot in your garden or under the overhang of some tree where you have difficulty getting plants to grow and you will be thrilled with the amount of that hard-to-get blue co'or the blooms will give you. Illustrated above. 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.95; 100 for \$6.80.



### Bleeding Heart

Dicentra spectabilis. If you have lived in the East, you remember that favorite plant in your grandmother's garden, the old-fashioned Bleeding Heart. The little rosy red hearts hang gracefully from long, curved sprays and "bleed" white petals. The foliage is the most beautiful produced by any bulbous plant. 1 for 50c; 3 for \$1.45; 12 for \$5.80.

#### Peruvian Lily

Alstroemeria aurantiaca. This tuberous rooted Lily produces gorgeous cut flowers on stems 2 feet long. There are from 10 to 30 blooms on each stem in a terminal arrangement. The individual arrangement are 2 inches long. The coloring is a beautiful blend of yellow, golden brown and light green. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.55; 100 for \$11.30.



Mariposa Lily

#### Mariposa Lily

Calochortus. All California nature-lovers are famliar with this gorgeous native, sometimes called "Butterfly Lily". This latter name because of their individual markings and shadings which rival nature's showiest butterflies. Different colored species grow native in various parts of the West, but they all thrive here in any sunny, well drained location. We offer a mixture composed of several varieties. and you will get an intriguingly different yet blended color effect from them. 3 for 25c; 12 for 75c; 100 for \$5.40.

#### **Hybrid Amaryllis**

American hybridizers have been doing wonderful things with the old-fashioned Amaryll's. The new hybrids are gigantic in size yet 3 or more blooms manage to look graceful at the end of each heavy stout green stem. Vivid red, pink, scarlet and almost white colors blend and shade into each other on the blooms from individual bulbs. No two are alike, however, red, scarlet, orange-pink and pink shades predominate. You will want to afford several at our new low price. 1 for 45c; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.15.

#### Watsonia Dazzler





**Oxalis** 

#### **Oxalis**

We are rediscovering this lovely spring blooming bulb with its beautiful shamrock-like green foliage and large, short-stemmed, pink, lavender, white and yellow flowers. They make a showy clump in the garden or in a pot, and bloom continuously for many weeks. Mixed, 12 for 50c; 25 for 90c; 100 for \$3.10.

# Tuberous Rooted Begonias

Tuberous rooted Begonias are probably the most spectacular flowering bulbs that grow in the shade. Planted in leaf-mold, 9 to 12 inches apart, and kept moist, they produce immense flowers in shades of red, yellow, orange, pink, and white. Some prefer the immense single blooms, others like the frilled ones, (see right at bottom), and still others prefer the giant double Camellia-flowered plants (see right at top).

We offer the following: Giant Single; Large Double Camellia-Flowered; Giant Frilled. All in mixed colors (please specify type wanted) at the low price of 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.55; 100 for \$11.10.



**Tuberous Begonias** 

#### **Hybrid Watsonias**

#### A Dazzler

Watsonia Dazzler. A new Australian hybrid that has brilliant orange-red flowers on slightly curved stems 3 ft. tall. Blooms profusely during the spring and summer with scattered blooms most of the rest of the year. Especially good as a cut flower. Pictured at left. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.55; 100 for \$11.30.

#### Mrs. Bullard's Hybrids

These new Mrs. Bullard's hybrids we offer have become a sensation over night because of their large blooms which are beautifully marked and shaded in combinations of scarlet, pink, salmon, white and orchid. The bloom spikes which start coming early in the spring are tall and graceful,

somewhat similar to a Gladiolus bloom but they are a more lasting cut flower as they open out over a longer period. The bulbs make practically evergreen permanent clumps which produce blooms freely in any sunny or semi-shaded spot in the garden with little or no attention.

All varieties below: 3 for 30e; 12 for 95e; 100 for \$6.90.

Edward Sturdevant. Well-shaped, bright orange scarlet flowers.

Eunice. A live flesh-pink shaded salmon.

J. J. Dean. A rich rose-pink with broad petals.

Lillian Benner. A fascinating clear layender-orchid shade.

Mrs. Bullard's White. A new and improved, large, pure white.



Regal Lily

#### Regal Lily

Lilium regale. The Regal Lily, introduced from China but a few years ago, is probably the most satisfactory and popular Lily for the entire Pacific Coast. The strain we offer is domestic grown and free from any virus infection. The flowers (see illustration above) are borne in great clusters on 4-foot stems, offering a magnificent spectacle in June and July. 1 for 25c; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.15.

#### **Dutch Iris Indian Chief**



#### Lilies

Lilium candidum "Madonna Lily". From antiquity with a long and romantic history comes the Madonna Lily. It has been St. Joseph's Lily, Annuncia' ion Lily, Lily of the Bourbons, Lent Lily, Easter Lily and others but Madonna describes its pure white beauty more accurately. It will be the first Lily to bloom in your garden. 1 for 30c; 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.80.

Lilium tigrinum splendens. The famous Tiger Lily is the world's oldest cultivated Lily. Abundant tawny orange blooms, spotted dark brown, are produced on 4-foot stems. We offer domestic grown bulbs. 1 for 25c; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.25.

Lilium pardalinum giganteum. A California native hybrid of which we can be very proud. This Lily produces stems up to 7 feet tall, and the gigantic blooms are orange-yellow, spotted maroon half the way and blended into a rich bronzy shade of orange-red at the tip. Can be grown in full sun, provided the soil is moist but well drained. Illustrated right. 1 for 30c; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.55.

#### English Iris

English Iris produce larger and showier blooms than do Spanish Iris and, strangely, are native in the Pyrenees Mountains of France and Spain. Magnificent spring cutting flowers are easily raised from bulbs planted in a sunny location and assured adequate moisture. Plant in groups of six or more bulbs along a border or in front of shrubs.

Sunset is a charming variety the color of Cattleya Orchids—a delicate shade of rosy tinged lavender—and is a clean strong grower which produces 18-in. bloom stems. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$7.25.

**Mixed English Iris.** A mixture of many colors, including lavender, dark blue, light blue, claret and white. 3 for 25c; 12 for 85c; 100 for \$5.90.

# **Dutch Iris**

Now, of course, Dutch Iris really are not Orchids but the shape of their blooms are somewhat similar and certainly their colors are as exquisite and as delicately blended as those of a real Orchid. These bulbous Iris are extremely easy to grow here in almost any soil, but they prefer the lighter ones. Unsurpassed as a cut flower, they last fully a week when cut.

Not less than 6 of one variety sold.

Adrian Backer. An early flowering variety of soft orchid-lavender. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$4.80.

David Haring. A very large pure white kind. Illustrated on front cover. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$4.80.

Excelsior. A new delightfully fragrant pure white Iris with a yellow stripe on each fall; medium growing. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$5.25.

**Golden Glory.** Golden yellow, our deepest yellow shade. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$4.80.



Lilium pardalinum giganteum

#### Five Color Dutch Iris Collection

We want you to become acquainted with the fine cut flower possibilities of Dutch Iris so we make you this attractive offer:

5 Dark Blues (one variety). 5 Light Blues (one variety).

5 Golden Yellow (one variety). 10 other color combinations (5 each of two varieties). All for \$1.15, postpaid. Ask for Offer No. 3.

Each of the five varieties furnished will be named kinds listed in this Catalog and will be packed separately and labeled with the variety name. Here is your chance to acquire a good assortment of the bulb flower that truly rivals the Orchid.

Imperator, Rich deep blue. The most popular late blooming variety. See illustration, front cover. 12 for 50c; 25 for 95c; 100 for \$3.20.

Indian Chief. A magnificent large-flowering violet and bronze variety. Illustrated at left. 12 for 95c; 25 for \$1.70; 100 for \$5.90.

Leonardo da Vinci. The upright standards are cream and the falls canary-yellow with an orange stripe. Flowers are very large. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$5.25

**Rembrandt.** A beautiful dark blue Iris with yellow-orange markings. 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.10; 100 for \$3.80.

Therese Schwartze. This is the beautiful white, powder blue and yellow variety. 12 for 65c; 25 for \$1.20; 100 for \$4.20.

Wedgewood. This splendid light blue variety is the finest of the Dutch Iris and is one of the very earliest to bloom. 12 for 50c; 25 for 95c; 100 for \$3.20.

Yellow Queen. Shades of clear yellow that blend beautifully with the blue shaded varieties. Illustrated on front cover. 12 for 50c; 25 for 95c; 100 for \$3.20.

# **Perennial Phlox**

Phlox decussata. Hardy per ennial phlox are most effective in adding color to the summer and fall garden landscape. They grow quickly and easily and never fail to produce enormous quantities of their bright colored flower heads. We have carefully selected a vari-colored group with an excellent color range.

Daily Sketch. Pink with rose

Morgenrood. Rose-pink, scarlet eye. (Pictured right.)

Mrs. Chas. Door. Pastel lav-

Salmon Glow. Flame pink and salmon.

Strong root divisions, above varieties, 1 for 30c; 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.70.

Beacon. Brilliant cherry-red. Dixie, Orange-pink.

Leo Schlagater. Orange-scar-

Mrs. Jenkins. Pure white. Rijnstroom. Rose-pink.

Von Hockberg. Brilliant red. Above varieties, 1 for 25c; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.25.

Mixed Collection. One each of all ten varieties, separately labelled. 10 plants, \$2.00.

# "Tecolote" Ranunculus

Ranunculus are among the gayest, cheeriest and most brightly colored of all flowers and they do particularly well in California. They are extremely effective when planted in beds and are ideal for cut flowers for they bloom pro-fusely and keep for several days after cutting. During late February, March and early April some of the most beautiful beds of flowers that can be grown in California are those of well grown Ranuncu-

The strain of Ranunculus that we offer will, if properly grown, be almost 100% double. To get the largest proportion of double flowers the tubers should be planted as soon as possible after October 1st. Ranunculus should be planted in full sunshine 4 or 5 inches apart.

#### The New Clear White

Clear White. There has been a demand for an all white strain for certain color effects in the garden. This selection has been very popular with our customers since we introduced it. 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.45.

#### Improved Gold

Improved Gold. An extraordinary giant - flowered golden double and semi-double type from which all other colors have been removed. Undoubtedly the finest thing in Ranunculus today. Just glorious flowers of a dazzling golden yellow. 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.45.

Invest \$1.00 in Armstrong Ranunculus Bulbs and cut over 1000 gorgeous blooms.

#### **Armstrong Giant**

Armstrong Giant. There are many strains of Ranunculus but we believe that this particular blended strain is as fine as can be obtained. Developed here in Southern California; improved over the years by careful selection; now almost all of the flowers are fully double. The magnificent colors include almost every possible combination of white, yellow, rich shades of orange, rose, salmon, red-scarlet down to the darkest crimson. A bed of them will give an amazing show of color and there is no finer cut flower for the house. We flower for the house. We recommend the No. 1 size as offering the best value. Jumbo size is worth the difference to those who want the very best. No. 2 size bulbs are satisfactory.

Jumbo size, 12 for 80c; 25 for \$1.45; 100 for \$5.00.

No. 1, 12 for 45c; 25 for 80c; 100 for \$2.80. No. 2, 12 for 20c; 25 for 35c;

100 for \$1.25.

#### Pink Shades

New Pink Shades. Pink and nothing but pink is to be found in this highly double strain. The shades of pink vary, but they all blend well together. 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4,45.

#### Orange Shades

The new Orange. A fine new color strain producing blooms 90% of which will be slightly varying shades of orange. Beds of this spectacular selection drew the most compliments from the propagation field visitors. 12 for 70e; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.45.

#### **Red Shades**

Selected red shades. Nothing but brilliant shades of red will be found in this selected strain from which all other colors have been removed. Practically all double flowered and long stemmed.

No. 1, 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.45.

#### Clear Yellow

Clear Yellow. This new strain produces giant double, camellia-like flowers, each one a clear canary-yellow. These sunshiny pastel blooms are especially desirable for bouquets inside, and when massed in beds with Blue Poppy Anemones in front of them, you have an unbeatable color harmony. 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30; 100 for \$4.45.



Perennial Phlox, Morgenrood

#### Modern Cannas

The modern Canna varieties, with their huge brilliantly colored flowers and various hued large leaves, are easily grown, permanent and useful. They provide vivid garden color over a long season, and their leaves work beautifully into flower arrangements. City of Portland, rose-pink; Candelabra, rose-pink spotted orange; Eureka, white, yellow center; Favorite, golden yellow, dotted red; Mrs. Pierre S. duPont, clear light pink; Razzle Dazzle, orange, yellow spots; President, orange-scarlet; Wyoming, orange flowers, bronze foliage. Root divisions, 1 for 25c; \$2.00 per 10 of one kind.

#### **Tecolote Ranunculus**





Transvaal Daisies (Gerberas)

#### Transvaal Daisies — Double Gerbergs

Gerbera (Jamesonii Hybrid). The graceful shape and the delicate rainbow hues of their blooms which are borne on stout yet dainty stems, coupled with excellent keeping qualities, make these an ideal cut flower. We offer a very select strain of giant single flowers in a well balance color assortment which includes pink, salmon, white, red, yellow, and orange shades During the fall and winter Gerberas are available in bare root divisions. This method of handling them is ideal for the plants and makes it possible for us to quote you extremely low prices. Mixed colors only. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$10.00.

**Double Gerberas.** Hybridizers have now created a 100% double Gerbera. We offer a particularly fine strain. Every bloom a clear crisp color. (Mixed colors only.) 85c each; 3 for \$2.40.

**Duplex.** Imagine vivid garnet red blossoms with all the gracefulness of the single varieties yet having a double row of perfect petals. A heavy bloomer with long stems. Easy to grow, and its lasting qualities make it superb for cut flowers. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.85; 100 for \$13.30.

# **Bearded Iris**

Bearded Iris. One of the easiest of all perennial plants to grow and sure to give satisfaction even with a minimum of care. The more improved varieties such as we offer below are amazingly beautiful in their colorings and in the size of the blooms. The kinds that we offer have been selected from a large number of varieties and include those of the most outstanding merit only.

#### Outstanding Iris

Brown Betty. California suntan, copper and hushed lavenders combined in perfectly formed flowers. 3½ ft., 1 for 45c: 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.15.

Happy Days. Giant clear yellow flowers, often 7 inches from top to bottom. The massive blooms are produced 7 or 8 to each sturdy stalk. 1 for 35c; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.15.

Imperial Blush. A superior clear pink with unusual fragrance: large flowers on medium standards. 1 for 30c; 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.80.

Indian Chief. Bronzy violet standards with falls of carmine. An outstanding red. 3 feet. 1 for 15c; 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.35.

Los Angeles. Large, white flowers with faintly edged blue standards and a clear blue center. 4 feet. 1 for 15c; 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.50.

Naranja. A new orange-yellow. The tall standards hold large blooms which gleam like a topaz. 1 for 50c; 3 for \$1.30; 12 for \$4.45.

Pink Satin. Smooth satiny lilac-pink; blooms prolifically over a long period. 1 for 25c; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.

San Gabriel. Our tallest Iris: blooms early, producing freely, fragrant lavender flowers. 1 for 25c; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.00.

Shining Waters. The large symmetrical, smooth textured flowers are the color of clear blue western skies. Often 12 or more to a stalk. 4 ft. 1 for 30c: 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.80.

Ukiah. Deep burgundy red and bronze (pictured at right), with the richest, most velvety falls of all. Vigorous and hardy. Medium height. 1 for 35c; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.15.

Mixed Iris. For those who want a good m'xture and are not particular about knowing varieties, we offer 12 assorted kinds, all of them different but none of them labeled, for \$1.25

# African Moreas

We offer three recently introduced bulbous Moreas from South Africa that are so outstandingly graceful, colorful, and different that we believe they will become extremely popular immediately.

Morea polystachys. The slender, much branched, 18 to 24 inch plants three to four months of the year are covered with 2½-inch very light flowers of light mauve sprinkled with Parma-Violet and spotted with bright yellow. The bulbs when planted 9 inches apart in a semishady or sunny spot seem to enjoy our climate as long as they are kept well watered. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$10.20.

Morea glaucopis (Iris pavonia). This delicately beautiful Morea is often called the Peacock Iris. The flowers vary somewhat from white to light blue but they are always marked with a large colorful peacock eye at the base of the outer segments. The stems on this variety are 10 to 15 inches high, making it excellent for cutting or for pot culture. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for 10.20.

#### **Butterfly Flowers**

Morea ramosa. This splendid introduction has amber-yellow blooms with golden oval markings surrounded at the base of the petals by dark blue. The blooms are freely produced on a 4 to 6 foot tall, much branched green stem which though strong is so slender and wiry as to be almost invisible from a short distance away. The blooms daintily perched on the stems look like a flock of gold and blue butterflies. Cut sprays keep opening their blooms in water for as long as two weeks. Plant 1 foot apart in full sun or part shade. This bulb likes plenty of water. Delivery in late spring. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.90; 100 for \$13.65.

#### Bearded Iris Collection

Here is a remarkable value. We offer 10 named varieties including the 10 listed at left, every one labeled individually, for \$2.50. Collection No. 4, \$2.50, postpaid.

Bearded Iris Ukiah





Freesias

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These delicately fragrant little flowers easily become permanently established in the garden, and they bloom so early in the spring that they are almost classed as winter flowers. They have become increasingly popular in California, particularly since the introduction of the new colored large-flowered types.

#### Rainbow Mixture

Rainbow Mixture. This is a special blend of many named colored varieties of Freesias, including shades of pink, blue, yellow, lavender, red, orange, and violet. No white is included in this mixture, and it is the finest grade of Freesia that can be obtained. 12 for 35c; 25 for 60c; 100 for \$2.00.

#### Named Varieties of Freesias

**Apotheose.** A large flowered variety, with lilac-pink blooms, white at the throat. 12 for 40c; 25 for 70c; 100 for \$2.35.

Pink Beauty. A fine, large-flowered clear pink strain. 12 for 40c; 25 for 70c; 100 for \$2.35.

Golden Daffodil. This is the famous giant golden yellow variety. 12 for 35c; 25 for 60c; 100 for \$2.10.

White Chief. Very large white flowers, exceedingly fragrant. The very finest of the white Freesias. 12 for 30c; 25 for 55c; 100 for \$1.90.

Purity Superflora. An improved type of the old Purity, blooming very early, before any other types; extremely fragrant. Creamy white. 12 for 30c; 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.80.

#### Flame Freesia

Tritonia crocata "Prince of Orange". No plant can produce a more vivid spot of color than this small native of South Africa. Brilliant orange heads of dainty Freesia-like flowers are carried on slender 12 to 18 inch stems. It thrives in our Southern California climate where it naturalizes readily. Established in your garden it will continue to thrill you each spring with its flaming masses of color. 12 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.45.

#### Anemone Monarch de Caen



# **Armstrong Anemones**

These poppy-like garden flowers with their brilliant hues of blue, rose, crimson and scarlet, grow from 8 to 12 inches high and prefer full sunshine. Planted in masses they are most effective and they make splendid cut flowers to mix with Ranunculus since Ranunculus lack the blue shades and the Anemones lack the yellow shades.

Plant any time from October to March. They bloom in early or late spring, depending on when they are planted.

Anemone St. Brigid. This double and semi-double strain was very popular among those who visited the growing fields last summer. Many showy colors are present in the mixture. The blooms are excellent for bright graceful bouquets. 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.15; 100 for \$3.90.

#### Monarch de Caen

Monarch de Caen. The most famous of all Anemone strains. The giant long-stemmed, single, saucershaped flowers include a great variety of dazzling shades of rose, red, blue, purple and lavender. Our No. 1 grade is our best seller. However, the exceptionally fine, Jumbo bulbs are well worth the additional amount asked, and the No. 2 bulbs are satisfactory. (Illustrated at right.)

Jumbo, 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.35; 100 for \$4.70. No. 1, 12 for 45c; 25 for 75c; 100 for \$2.60. No. 2, 12 for 25c; 25 for 40c; 100 for \$1.35.

#### Red, White and Blue

Plant a red, white and blue border of Anemones. The solid masses of color adjoining each other will give a spectacularly beautiful landscape effect.

**His Excellency.** Great 3-inch flowers of vivid, dazzling scarlet with a silver-white base. One of the showiest of all Anemones. No. 1 bulbs, 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.15; 100 for \$3.90.

The Bride. We offered this pure white strain for the first time last year. Many of our customers were enthusiastic. Alone or with the reds and blues, they are ideal for cut flower arrangements. 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.15; 100 for \$3.90.

Blue Poppy. A marvelous selection of white centered identical blue flowers. Outstandingly effective when planted together or with the red His Excellency, and the white one. 12 for 60c; 25 for \$1.15; 100 for \$3.90

#### **Bulbs for Shade**

In shady locations Scilla campanulata will give you a wealth of early spring bloom. For a background which will provide a continuity of interesting blooms and color use Yellow and White Calla Lilies, Regal Lilies, Tiger Lilies or Sunset Lily. Baby Callas and Terrestrial Orchids will work nicely into a foreground group. Other shade lovers include Bleeding Heart, Grape Hyacinth and the new early fragrant Madonna Lily. The excellent cut flower, Peruvian Lily prefers the shade and plenty of moisture.



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Santa Fe. Brilliant, with deeper red tones than La Fiesta, this one produces large flowers of unusual beauty whose daintily frilled edges make them look almost double. Like La Fiesta, it is a mid-season bloomer and grows vigorously. 3 for 20c; 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.25; 100 for \$4.30.

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Shirley Temple. No Gladiolus is more beautiful than Shirley Temple. It has the softest yet the richest color, a deep cream with no yellow, and is heavily ruffled. It is so large that it borders on the mammoth class. 3 for 20c; 12 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.55.

Vagabond Prince. A very rich, iridescent garnet-brown with a glowing scarlet blotch, probably the richest in tone of all smoky Gladiolus. As many as 8 florets are open at one time. Cut as the first florets open to preserve the rich coloring. 3 for 25c; 12 for 80c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$4.85.

#### Selected Varieties

Apricot Glow. A tall, clear apricot, early flowering, vigorous growing variety. 3 for 15c; 12 for 45c; 25 for 80c; 100 for \$2.65.

Betty Nuthall. Next to Picardy this is perhaps the most popular of all Gladiolus. The color is a glowing orange-pink with a yellow throat; 6 to 8 blooms open at once, borne on unusually long spikes. 3 for 15c; 12 for 45c; 25 for 75c; 100 for \$2.60.

Charles Dickens. Clear, glowing red-purple, with deeper velvety blotch on lower petal. 3 for 15c; 12 for 45c; 25 for 85c; 100 for \$2.90.

Commander Koehl. Large open flowers borne on unusually strong, heavy stems. Unquestionably one of the finest red varieties. 3 for 20c; 12 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.45.

**Dream of Beauty.** Flowers of purest rose-red on tall growing spikes; excellent for cutting. 3 for 20c; 12 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.55.

**Debonair.** This tall, strong growing variety is one of the earliest to bloom. The La France pink flowers fade to shrimp-pink and delicate cream at the throat. The well spaced blooms open 6 or 7 at one time. 3 for 15c; 12 for 40c; 25 for 75c; 100 for \$2.60.

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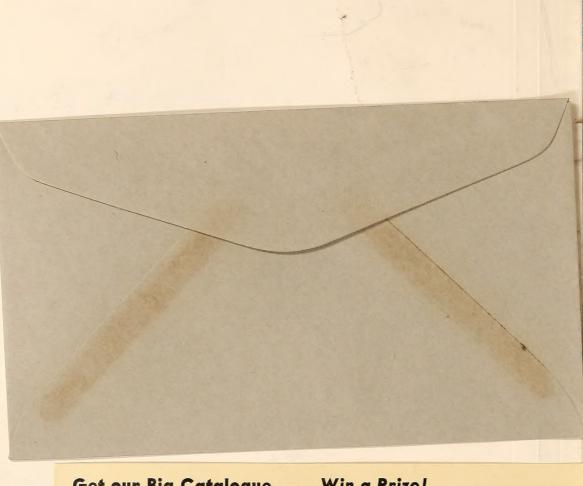
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